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TO: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

- 1. A headquarters notice dated 5 January 1960, which set up our Retirement Board, said: "The Board will act on the understanding that it is the practice in this Agency that an employee will normally retire when he becomes eligible for retirement unless he is asked to remain in service. In reaching decisions the Board will give full consideration to the personal plans, preferences, and circumstances of each employee."
- 2. It came as no surprise to us that many employees felt that we had changed the ground rules on them without sufficient prior notice, and there was, of course, some justification in their position. It is true that we have pressured employees to retire when eligible and in many of these cases they would not have otherwise done so until they reached mandatory retirement age. At the same time, we have tried to negotiate a mutually acceptable date with the individual employee when retirement as soon as eligible would work a hardship on him and when his services could continue to be used to good advantage. While we have had some rather difficult cases, we have been able to work out most of them and have not yet resorted to involuntary separation to force retirement when eligible with full annuity.

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CIVIL SERVICE RETIREMENT

AGENCY RETTREMENT BOARD

- 1. In the interests of sound and equitable personnel management, an Agency Retirement Board is hereby established. It will be the responsibility of the Board to expand the retirement program within the Agency to include:
 - The counseling of all employees who have reached voluntary retirement age and those who are about to reach that age concerning their accrued benefits, privileges, and obligations.
 - b. Discussion with the employee of his plans to retire.
 - c. The systematic review of the retirement plans of each such employee.
- 2. The Board will act on the understanding that it is the practice in this Agency that an employee will normally retire when he becomes eligible for retirement unless he is asked to remain in pervice. In reaching decisions the Board will give full consideration to the personal plans, preferences, and circumstances of each employee.
 - 3. The following appointments to the Board are hereby made:

Lawrence R. Houston - Chairman Otto E. Gutha - Member

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- 4. Imployees who are still in Government service on 1 July 1960 will be cligible to participate in the health insurance plans provided for in recent legislation. While there is no authority for deferring mandatory age retirement to enable an employee to obtain this benefit, any caployee considering optional retirement before 1 July 1960 should be edviced regarding the benefits of the plan and his eligibility to participate by remaining in service.
- 5. The provisions of this notice should not be construed as preceing for optional retirement of an individual before 1 July 1960 if by retiring he foregoes benefits of real value to him.

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